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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

LTC No.: 302-2016

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

CC:

Raul J. Aguila, City Attorney Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

Daniel Ciraldo, Chairperson Save Miami Beach 2016

DATE:

July 18, 2016

SUBJECT: Certification Of Signed Petitions Submitted By "Save Miami Beach 2016," a Political Committee,

Petitioning The City Commission To Submit To The Electors Of Miami Beach An Amendment To

Section 1.03 Of The Miami Beach City Charter.

Pursuant to Section 7.04 of the Miami Beach City Charter and Section 6.03(A) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, on July 5, 2016, the City Clerk transmitted the original signed petitions submitted by "Save Miami Beach 2016," a Political Committee, to the Miami-Dade County Elections Department to determine if the petitions had been signed by ten percent (10%) of the qualified electors of the City of Miami Beach. According to the Miami-Dade County Elections Department, as of November 3, 2015, the City of Miami Beach had 44,576 registered voters, thus requiring the signatures of 4,458 qualified electors to call for an election to amend the City Charter.¹

The Miami-Dade County Elections Department has completed the comparison of signatures on the submitted petitions against signatures on the voter rolls for the City of Miami Beach, and has determined that out of the total 4,812 signatures submitted, 2,300 are certified as matching the signatures on the voter rolls of the City of Miami Beach. A copy of the Certification is attached hereto.

Accordingly, the City Clerk will formally present to the City Commission at the July 20, 2016 Presentations/Commission Meeting the attached Elections Department Certificate evidencing that the subject initiative petition does not contain the requisite amount of signatures.

If you have any questions, please contact me at Extension 6451.

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Attachment

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The benchmark date for the Supervisor to make the calculation regarding signature sufficiency is November 3, 2015, which is the date of the City's last General Election - this date conforms to Florida Statute Section 166.031, which reads "...The governing body of a municipality may ... by petition signed by 10 percent of the registered electors as of the last preceding municipal general election, submit to the electors of said municipality a proposed amendment to its charter...". As indicated by the Official Results of the November 3, 2015 General Election, the number of Registered Voters on that day was 44,576. Thus, 4,458 valid signatures are necessary.



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Rafael E. Granado City Clerk City of Miami Beach 1700 Convention Center Drive Miami Beach, FL 33139

Dear Mr. Granado:

The Miami-Dade Elections Department has completed the verification of Batch 1 of the petitions submitted by Save Miami Beach 2016, a political committee to amend Section 1.03 of the City Charter. A total of 4,812 petitions were reviewed for verification; of which 2,300 were certified.

As such, please find the certification for the petition enclosed. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Michelle McClain, Deputy Supervisor of Elections for Voter Services at 305-499-8302

Sincerely

Christina White

Supervisor of Elections

Enclosure (1)

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CERTIFICATION Batch # 1

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE)

I, Christina White, Supervisor of Elections of Miami-Dade County, Florida, do hereby certify that 2,300 signatures submitted by Save Miami Beach 2016 to amend Section 1.03 the Charter in the City of Miami Beach matched the signatures on the voter files.

Christina White Supervisor of Elections WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL, AT MIAMI, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ON THIS 18th DAY OF JULY, 2016